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## **PRACTICE & EDUCATION COMMITTEE Minutes - Draft**

The Practice and Education Committee held a meeting on June 23, 2016 at 11:00 A.M. in Conference Room B, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Blvd, Dover, Delaware.

**PRESENT:** Jo Ann Baker, Nancy Bastholm, Linda Brauchler, Robert Contino, Stephanie Evans-Mitchell, Barbara Willey.

**ABSENT:** Kathleen Riley-Lawless

**GUESTS:** Abiola Popoola Aliu

**PRESIDING:** Dr. Contino

**STAFF:** Peggy Mack, Executive Director, Delaware Board of Nursing;  
Patricia Davis, Deputy Attorney General for the Board of Nursing (DAG)

**CALL TO ORDER:** Dr. Contino called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m.

**1.0 Review of MINUTES:** Ms. Bastholm made a motion, seconded by Ms. Brauchler to approve the December 18, 2015 minutes; the motion carried unanimously.

## **2.0 EDUCATION**

### **2.1 Interim Progress Report Review**

#### **2.1.1. Adoni Health Institute (Leads School of Technology)**

The Committee reviewed the report and discussed the points for ACEN (Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing). The DAG noted that the previous rules re: ACEN applied for this school, rather than the new rules, regulations re: schools having ACEN accreditation. It was recommended that this school begin the lengthy process now for ACEN accreditation.

The Committee observed that the time frames for the beginning and the ending dates for the school's program are confusing to the students and the public. The 10 week holiday did not seem to fit into the school calendar. The reported graduates do not match NCLEX lists. The Committee does not accept the school's explanations. The Committee recommended that the school pull Adoni Health Institute (Leads School of Technology)'s applications / students' files

for the time period of May 2014 through October 2014. Students' attrition rates appear to be higher than the national average, which is ~ 33-35% per ACEN.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Ms. Bastholm and seconded by Ms. Brauchler that the Committee confirm with Adoni Health Institute (Leads School of Technology) the conversation had during the meeting with representatives of Adoni Health Institute (Leads School of Technology) via a follow up letter to the school. The motion passed unanimously.

## **2.12. Review of Annual Report form**

On the Schools' Annual Report Form, II – A. Enrollment, Completion, and Attrition, the Diploma program will be included as a program type.

## **3.0 PRACTICE ISSUES**

Dr. Baker suggested that the Board of Nursing may wish to begin collecting highest degree of nursing education as the data regarding BSN graduates may be requested in accordance with the Institute of Medicine's recommendation that 80% nurses have a BSN by 2019.

Dr. Mack noted, per the Board of Nursing's May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 direction, that Adoni Health Institute (Leads School of Technology) was notified that the school's request to have Raimi Abiodun, RN, BSN, MHA, DM approved as a new faculty member has been tabled. A letter was sent via first class and certified mail to the Drs. Aliu and Abiodun, regarding attestation for primary state of residence, but no response has been received from Dr. Abiodun.

Dr. Baker observed that new standards for ACEN are pending and may impact states' rules and regulations, specifically in regards to faculty credentials.

## **5.0 PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Aliu offered clarification on the Committee's questions regarding Adoni Health Institute (Leads School of Technology) School's Report

## **6.0 OTHER BUSINESS**

Ms. Brauchler is retiring as Director of the Polytech Adult Education Practical Nursing Program effective after July 1, 2016, but willing to continue to be a member of the Committee. Mr. Kent Gory will be assuming Mr. Brauchler's role as Director.

## **7.0 NEXT MEETING / Agenda-** To be announced

## **8.0 ADJOURNMENT** – 1:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



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